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Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 27, 2005, Susanne Guyer, Dennis Weller, Dan Harris, Tom Moynihan, Katherine O'Hara, Ed Shakin, Ann Rakestraw and myself of Verizon met with Mr. Billy Jack Gregg, a member of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service.

At the meeting, we discussed the "Three Stage Package for Universal Service Reform" proposed by Mr. Gregg.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, one electronic copy of this notice is being filed in the above-referenced proceeding.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Grillo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

cc: Billy Jack Gregg